Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), Wage Employment Scheme namely Sampoorna Gram Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) and Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana (JGSY) have since been merged in SGRY *w.e.f.* 25th September, 2001, Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), Central Rural Sanitation Programme (CRSP), Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP), Integrated Wasteland Development Programme (IWDP), District Rural Development Administration (DRDA), Training Programme in the State of Assam.

These schemes are being implemented by State Government through DRDAs and other concerned State level agencies. District-wise physical and financial performance of SGSY, JGSY, EAS, IAY, DRDA Admn. for the years 1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2001-02 is given in the Annexure-(*See* Appendix 198 Annexure No. 7) An amount of Rs. 155.00 crores, Rs. 23.38 crores, Rs. 5.22 crores and Rs.30.91 crores have been released to the State of Assam during last three years for the PMGSY, IWDP, Training Programmes and Drinking Water Supply Programme respectively.

Utilisation of PMGSY funds by States

898. SHRI R.P. GOENKA : Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a recent review of the ongoing Rs. 60,000 crore rural road connectivity project launched under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) in December, 2000 has brought out a huge shortfall in actual utilisation of funds released and the road works completed by various States;

(b) if so, the details of the annual works approved, funds allocated, the works actually completed and funds utilised, State-wise;

(c) reasons for the shorfall, State-wise; and

(d) steps taken to achieve the targets and utilise the allocated funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) and (b) No, Sir. State-wise details of value of proposals, amount released, number of road works cleared and completed alongwith percentage of completed road works and expenditure incurred upto end of January, 2003 during

2000-01 and 2001-02 are enclosed as statement [Appended to answerd to USQ. No. 896 (c). These reveal that about 89% of the road works cleared in 2000-2001 have been completed and about 85% of the funds released have been spent. The works of 2001-02 are in various stages of execution.

(c) The relatively slow progress in respect of certain States like Bihar, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh and Uttaranchal has been on account of, *inter alia*, time taken in preparation of detailed estimates, finalisation of tenders, etc.

(d) In order to reduce delay in commencement and timely completion of road works, the State Government have been advised to get the detailed estimates prepared and scrutinised by the State Technical Agencies before forwarding them to the Ministry for clearance and to finalise the tenders within 3 months of clearance by the Ministry (4 months in exceptional cases). These steps, which have taken effect in respect of road proposals for 2003-04 onwards, are expected to lead to expeditious execution of the works and utilisation of funds.

Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission Project approved by Government

899. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) State-wise details of drinking water projects approved by the Central Government under Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission;

(b) the present status of the work in the States on the projects; and

(c) the measure taken by Government for the early completion of the projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) State-wise details of drinking water Sector Reform projects approved by the Central Government under Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission is enclosed as statement (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The present status of the work in the States on the projects is reviewed by Secretary, Deptt. of Drinking Water Supply, Ministry of Rural Development to complete the on going schemes taken under Sector Reform within the project period of 3 years.